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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: EASTERN PLANS SECOND FREQUENCY TO TRINIDAD MAY 1

REF: POS 1671, DECEMBER 26, 1973; STATE 251515, DECEMBER 28, 1973

1. EASTERN AIRLINES REPRESENTATIVES CALLED AT EMBASSY MARCH 28 AND MET WITH GOTT MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ERROL MAHABIR SAME DAY TO DISCUSS THEIR DESIRE TO OPEN SECOND DAILY FREQUENCY INTO TRINIDAD. (THIS APPARENTLY WOULD BE EXTENSION OF SAN JUAN/ST.CROIX/ALTERNATING ST. LUCIA-MARTINIQUE-GUADELOUP/BARBADOS FLIGHT WHICH NOW OVERNIGHTS IN BRIDGETOWN.) EASTERN REPS ARE CLEARLY TRYING TO AVOID MISTAKES MADE LAST DECEMBER WHICH RESULTED IN ABRUPT GOTT CANCELLATION OF SECOND FREQUENCY (REFTELS). HEAD OF AIR TRANSPORT LICENSING AUTHORITY (ATLA) HAD ALREADY TOLD EASTERN THAT ITS NEW REQUEST WOULD BE REFERRED TO CABINET FOR APPROVAL, THUS EASTERN SEIZED OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT ITS CASE TO MAHABIR.

2. FOLLOWING MINISTERIAL MEETING, EASTERN REPS TOLD EMBOFF THAT THEY ANTICIPATE NO PROBLEM IN OBTAINING GOTT APPROVAL TO OPERATE SECOND FREQUENCY. THEY BELIEVE THAT BWIA WILL NOT FILE ANY OBJECTIONS, WHICH SHOULD

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ENSURE QUICK APPROVAL EVEN THOUGH MATTERIAL WILL STILL

APPARENTLY HAVE TO BE DISCUSSED BY CABINET.

3. EASTERN PLANS TO SUBMIT FORMAL APPLICATION FOR SECOND
FREQUENCY TO ATLA ON APRIL 1. IN VIEW OF ASSURANCES
RECEIVED FROM MINISTER MAHABIR, EASTERN HAS NOT RPT NOT
REQUESTED ANY ASSISTANCE OR SUPPORT FROM EMBASSY.
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